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Title: Offset Dependent Resistor for Measuring Misalignment of  
Stitched Masks

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee and examination please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 3 of this paper.